

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants	Dieter Lang, <i>et al.</i>
Application No. 10/626,414	Filing Date: July 24, 2003
Title of Application:	Medical Instrument
Confirmation No. 9867	Art Unit: 3731
Examiner	Vy Q. Bui

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**Response to Official Action**

In response to the Official Action of September 12, 2006, Applicants herewith present its amendment and remarks. Please amend the claims as detailed below.

Applicant submits a fee for a one month extension in connection with the filing of this Amendment. If any additional fee is due please charge Deposit Account No. 19-4516.